WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT:

Creation of Regional Water Management Tools

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- Boundaries of Districts/ Authorities
 - 1. May be limited to unincorporated areas of a county.
 - 2. Lands need not be contiguous.
 - May include areas in a city or town if the city or town consents.
 - 4. May require that members of an authority receive water from specified sources
 - 5. May require that the boundaries of the authority be coterminous with certain other boundaries (e.g., the boundaries of an AMA.)
 - 6. May base boundaries on the service area of water providers within the district

Formation

- 1. Who may initiate:
 - The governing body of political subdivision within the district
 - A majority of landowners in the proposed district
 - Water providers in the proposed district
- 2. Adoption of a preliminary general plan
- 3. Hearings and elections
- 4. Promotion of the public convenience, necessity or welfare
- 5. Opt-out provision

Governance

- 1. County board of supervisors or a
- 2. Board of directors may govern.
- 3. Appointed or elected board members
- 4. Certain board members representing the special interests

Powers and Duties

State legislation currently grants districts or authorities the power to do one or more of the following:

- 1. Acquire, construct, maintain or repair water facilities
- 2. Levy and collect taxes (Title 48 districts)
- 3. Loan repayment agreements
- 4. Impose fees, including user fees.
- 5. Issue bonds
- 6. Make grants to its members
- 7. Sell, lease, exchange, hold, sever, transfer or retire water rights

- Financing
 - 1. Taxes
 - 2. Fees
 - 3. Bonds
 - 4. Loans

SPECIFIC WATER AUTHORITIES AND DISTRICTS

- A. Domestic Water Improvement District (DWID)

 A.R.S. § 48-901 et seq.
- B. Community Facilities District A.R.S. § 48-701 through 48-708
- C. Multijurisdictional Water Facilities District A.R.S.§ 48-5901 through 48-5931
- D. County Water Augmentation Authority A.R.S. §45-1901 through 45-1999
- E. County Water Authority A.R.S.§ 45-2201 et seq.

PROCEDURES FOR ESTABLISHING A SUBSEQUENT AMA AND PROCEDURES FOR MODIFYING THE BOUNDARIES OF A SUBSEQUENT AMA

ESTABLISHMENT OF AMA BY ORDER OF DIRECTOR

- A. General
- B. Criteria
- C. Public Hearing
- D. Findings and Order of the Director
- E. Irrigation of New Acres Prohibited Pending Director's Decision

ESTABLISHMENT OF AMA BY LOCAL INITIATIVE

- A. General
- B. Petition
- C. Public Hearing
- D. Election
- E. Irrigation of New Acres ProhibitedDuring Election Process

ADOPTION OF MANAGEMENT GOAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

- A. Management Goal
- **B.** Management Plan

AREA DIRECTOR AND GUAC

- A. Area Director
- B. Groundwater Users Advisory Council

- Modification of Boundaries of a Subsequent AMA
- Mandatory Regulations In A Subsequent AMA Established By Order Of The Director
- Mandatory Regulations In A Subsequent AMA Established By Petition And Election

SUMMARY OF ARIZONA GROUNDWATER TRANSPORTATION LAWS

Transportation of Groundwater
 Withdrawn Within an AMA